GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3483
ANSWERED ON:20.03.2001
ENQUIRY IN BANI THANI CASE
RAMDAS ATHAWALE

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned `No departmental enquiry has been done against erring police officials` appearing in the Hindi daily Jansatta` dated September 1, 2000;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;

(c) whether the CVC has taken over the investigation into the Bani Thani Case from the Crime Branch and Vigilance Branch of Delhi Police;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the CVC has finalised the enquiry into the case by now;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and
(g) the reasons for not taking departmental action so far against the guilty police officials in this matter?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. It was reported in the news item in question that the Vigilance Department and the Crime Branch of Delhi Police had, on investigation, found that the case earlier registered by the local police in the matter was false.

(c) to (f): The Central Vigilance Commission does not itself conduct an investigation into a complaint.However, in pursuance of a complaint lodged in connection with `Bani Thani beauty parlour` case, the Commission received an investigation report from the Vigilance Department of Delhi Police on which the Commission have called for comments and recommendations of Police Commissioner, Delhi.

(g): The matter being sub-judice, no departmental action against erring officials, if any has been taken.